s. No	Name of State Electricity Board's/ Power Supply Authorities	Average cost per Unit (in Rs.)
9.	Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board	4.76
10.	Grid Corporation of Orissa	4.14
11.	Punjab State Electricity Board	4.15
12.	Rajasthan State Electricity Board	4.14
13.	Tamil Nadu Electricity Board	4.178
14.	Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd.	4.44
15.	West Bengal State Electricity Board	3.63
16.	Chattisgarh State Electricity Board	5.25
17.	Jharkhand State Electricity Board	5.21
18.	TATA in Mumbai area	3.56
19.	DamodarValley Corporation	**3.62**
20.	NationalThermal Power Corporation Ltd.	**2.60**
	GRAND TOTAL:	4.27

Production of 1st Class Coaches

2607. SHRI B.S.GANANADESIKAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways would reconsider to commence production of 1st class coaches, which has been stopped; and

(b) whether attachement of atlest one 1 st class coach would be convenient for patients, particularly those suffering from asthma, etc. to travel comfortably?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Waiters and supervisory staff on trains

2608. SHRI LAJPAT RAhWill the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of trains in the country in which meals and break-fast are served;

(b) the number of waiters and supervisory staff, to manage and serve the passengers;

(c) what are the grades of pay of supervisory staff and whether other facilities, apart from pay, are also extended to them; and

(d) whether waiters are paid in terms of Minimum Wages Act; if not, the reasons therefor and the scales which they are placed in?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRIBANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) In addition to 197 number of Mail/Express trains running with pantry cars, passengers travelling by a large number of mail/express and passenger trains running without pantry cars are supplied with meals and breakfast services through trainside vending from static units enroute. Railways do not maintain the figures of waiters/supervisory staff engaged in this task.

(c) and (d)The grade of pay of the staff working in the departmental pantry cars are as under:

Waiter	:	Rs. 2610-3540
		Rs. 2750-4400
Supervisory staff		
Asst. Catg. Manager		Rs. 3200-4900
Catg. Manager		Rs. 4000-6000
Catering Inspector		Rs. 5000-8000
Sr. Catering Inspector		Rs. 5500-9000
Chief Catering Inspector		Rs. 6500-10500

Other facilities apart from pay are given to the departmental employees as per the recommendation of the Vth Pay Commission.

Payment to the staff of private licencees is the sole responsibility of the licencees as they engage them on terms and conditions mutually agreed between them. However, private licencees are bound to observe all rules and regulations in force including Minimum Wages Act as per the licence agreement entered with Railways.